## **CLAIMS**

- 1. A solid oral pharmaceutical composition containing carbidopa and levodopa in a 1:4 weight ratio, in the form of ethylcellulose-coated granules.
- 2. A pharmaceutical composition as claimed in claim 1, wherein said granules are included in gelatin capsules or sachets.
- 3. A composition as claimed in claim 1, containing from 10 to 200 mg carbidopa and 40 to 800 mg levodopa.
- 4. A composition as claimed in claim 3, containing 50 mg carbidopa and 200 mg levodopa.
- 5. A composition according to any previous claim, containing 90% levodopa and carbidopa, 3% polyethylene glycol, 1.70% ethylcellulose, 0.8% talc, 4.5% polyvinylpyrrolidone, potassium metabisulfite q.s. to 100.
- 6. A composition as claimed in claim 5, wherein the granules have a mean diameter ranging from 500 to 1200  $\mu m$ .
- 7. The use of carbidopa and levodopa in a 1:4 weight ratio for the preparation of ethylcellulose-coated granules to be used in the treatment of Parkinson's diseases or related pathologies.